

# The Rutland-Wallingford Catholic Community

Pentecost Sunday

May 31, 2020

## Christ the King

Located at 66 S. Main St., Rutland, Vt.



## Immaculate Heart of Mary

Located at 18 Lincoln Ave., Rutland, Vt.



## St. Patrick

Located at 218 N. Main St., Wallingford, Vt.



### Confessions

**Friday** 3:30 PM *Christ the King*

**Saturday** 3:00 PM *Immaculate Heart of Mary*

*You may also make an appointment by calling the office.*

### Weekend Mass Schedule

**Saturday** 4:00 PM *Immaculate Heart of Mary*

5:30 PM *Christ the King*

**Sunday** 7:30 AM *Christ the King*

9:00 AM *St. Patrick*

10:30 AM *Christ the King*

5:30 PM *Christ the King*

*For our complete Mass schedule, please see inside.*

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*We are one community with three worship sites: **Christ the King** and **Immaculate Heart of Mary** in Rutland, and **St. Patrick** in Wallingford. As one, we **pray** the Eucharist and other sacraments together, and we **explore** the meaning of our Catholic faith. As a community, we **reach out in love**, following the call of Jesus to serve those in need. As one community, we grow together in faith and love for Jesus Christ.*

MASS SCHEDULE June 1-7, 2020			
Mon. 6/1	9:00 AM	CTK	<b>Gregory Henry</b> by the Stanley family
Tue. 6/2	9:00 AM	CTK	<b>Marie Stanley &amp; Bernard LaFond</b> by the Stanley family
Wed. 6/3	9:00 AM	CTK	<b>A special intention</b>
Thu. 6/4	9:00 AM	CTK	<b>Juliette Pivin</b> by Linda and Claude Blanchette
Fri. 6/5	9:00 AM	CTK	<b>Anna and Andrea Biziak</b> by Richard Biziak and family
Sat. 6/6	4:00 PM	IHM	<b>Dot Winters</b> by estate
	5:30 PM	CTK	<b>Souls in purgatory</b>
Sun. 6/7	7:30 AM	CTK	<b>Intentions of the parishioners</b>
	9:00 AM	SP	<b>Joseph Ward</b> by Mary Renaud
	10:30 AM	CTK	<b>Evelyn Browe</b> (birthday memorial) by the Blongy family
	5:30 PM	CTK	<b>Louis Masse &amp; family</b> by estate

## Readings

Sunday:	<b>Vigil:</b> Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39. <b>Extended Vigil:</b> Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 55, 56 [52b] or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [1]/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39. <b>Day:</b> Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23
Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16 [1]/Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef [1b]/Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [4]/Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	2 Tm 3:10-17/Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168 [165a]/Mk 12:35-37
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22 [cf. 15ab]/Mk 12:38-44
Next Sunday:	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/2 Cor 13:11-13/Jn 3:16-18

## Observances

Sunday:	Pentecost Sunday
Monday:	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Tuesday:	Sts. Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs
Wednesday:	St. Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs
Friday:	St. Boniface, Bishop and Martyr
Saturday:	St. Norbert, Bishop

## Gospel Meditation

### For a Deeper Understanding of Scripture



You can feel so small standing by the seashore. The vastness of all that is before you expands much farther than your eye can see. What is happening on the other side? As tides continue to ebb and flow, what occurs as they come and go remains largely a

mystery and the effects of their presence unknown in your sight. Yet, things are moving and changing as you gaze upon the water, as the thumbprint of their presence is left behind. The greater the wind and wave, the greater the effect. But even a gentle breeze leaves its humble mark upon the seashore on which you stand. The smallest pebble still makes a ripple in the great blue expanse of ocean waters. It doesn't need to be big.

You never know the full impact of your smallest gesture or simplest of words. A yes or no, agree or disagree, here or there, this or that can influence time and history in ways you may never know. The Holy Spirit is like that: fierce and torrential, and then almost still and silent, creating and recreating nonetheless. Coming as a gentle breeze or a gusty wind, God's Holy Spirit continues to move over, around, and into the waters of our lives. The Spirit brings fruit and unknown possibilities to what we humbly bring with us and that same Spirit eventually brings all to fulfillment in Christ.

The first disciples didn't have much. They possessed simple faith and a willingness to go into uncharted territory with a love of their friend-God, humble offerings, and a knowledge that they were not alone. This allowed them to do amazing things with very little. Do you believe that you are being led and that you have a purposeful life? We often do not realize our value because we do not think that the little we have is good enough. How wrong we are! A little flour mixed with water and embraced by a prayer of blessing transforms simple offerings into the magnificent Eucharistic presence of God. If the Holy Spirit can do such amazing things with these humble gifts of the earth, even more can happen with you. Don't underestimate the value of the smile you gave a stranger, the door held open for an elderly widow, the listening ear offered to one who was lonely, the tolerance given to the wounded soul who is angry, and the loving shoulder you offered as a cradle under the head of someone in pain. Modest gifts offered with love can be transformed by the Spirit into wondrous blessings you may never know. It's Pentecost. Trust. You are not alone.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## Online Giving

The Rutland-Wallingford Catholic Community now makes it easier for you to give your offertory and other donations on our website, [www.rwcatholic.org](http://www.rwcatholic.org):

- Go to the menu and click "Stewardship". This will take you to the Financial Support page.
- Scroll down to "Give Online" and click on the church of your choice. This will open the Gabriel contribution page.

- Please do **not** attempt to register or log in, because this window is set up for one-time donations only. Recurring donations are not yet available.
- Pick your fund, enter your dollar amount, and click the ADD button. Do this for each fund you wish to give to.
- Click on Pay Now and complete the popup form.
- The system is not set to make withdrawals from checking or savings accounts. If you have any questions, please call the office. God Bless you all for your support. Thank you for your generosity.

### Prayer for a Pandemic

*May we who are merely inconvenienced  
Remember those whose lives are at stake.*

*May we who have no risk factors  
Remember those most vulnerable.*

*May we who have the luxury of working from home  
Remember those who must choose between preserving  
their health or making their rent.*

*May we who have the flexibility to care for our children  
when their schools close  
Remember those who have no options.*

*May we who have to cancel our trips  
Remember those who have no safe place to go.*

*May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult  
of the economic market  
Remember those who have no margin at all.*

*May we who settle in for a quarantine at home  
Remember those who have no home.*

*As fear grips our country,  
Let us choose love.*

*During this time when we cannot physically wrap our  
arms around each other,  
Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to  
our neighbors.*

*Amen.*

### Live the Liturgy

With Pentecost, the disciples significantly changed. They were charged up and ready to go. They received the Holy Spirit and no longer harbored fear and apprehension. They knew who they were and what needed to be done. With the peace of the Lord and the power of the Spirit within them, they set out to do amazing things with simple means. We have received the Holy Spirit as well. What keeps us from truly understanding the mission of Christ and continuing the advancement of the Gospel? Some may think this was a work of the past and not relevant now. Others may believe that the work set before me is simply about doing what I need to do to merit heaven and has little to do with my brothers and sisters. Take a good look at the world. More are in need of hearing the Good News than there ever were. We have the power to get up and out and start doing life changing things!

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

### Why Do We Do That?

#### **Catholic Life Explained**

Tithing vs. Stewardship

#### **Question:**

What is the difference between tithing and stewardship?

#### **Answer:**

Both tithing and stewardship are part of a spiritual way of life that calls us to use all of our resources for the service of the Gospel. Everything we are and everything we have comes from God. Offering back to God what He has given us is part of how we worship and give thanks to God.

Tithing is the practice of giving back 10 percent of what we earn. It comes from the Old English word for “ten.” The first Scriptural example of tithing came from Abraham who gave a tenth of his possessions to the priest Melchizedek. He did so as an act of thanksgiving to God.

Stewardship as a way of life calls us to use well all that we have and all that we are, placing all things in service of others and God. Stewardship helps us see the good we can accomplish by making God and our spiritual life the most important values in our life. Whatever we accumulate in this life stays here. We can’t take it with us! Both tithing and stewardship help us remember that nothing is mine or even ours ... all belongs to God.

### Everyday Stewardship

#### **We Are Never Alone**

My children want my help sometimes, and other times, not so much. I remember being a teenager and young adult myself. At times, I thought I knew everything. I didn’t need help because I was just so darn smart. Truth is, I needed to find my own way. I needed to stretch my wings and prove to myself and my family I could fly. I assume that is what is happening with my own children as well. It just seems so different now that I’m the parent.

Human beings need help. We need community, and we need to rely on one another. At Pentecost, we reflect on Jesus sending to the Church a helper, the Holy Spirit. God interacting with us in this manner means we are never truly alone. We focus most of the time on the Spirit of God as the assistance we need, and we do need Him for sure. However, since it is that very same Spirit that turned us into “Church” from a band of people looking to carry on after Jesus’ ascension, at Pentecost we gained more than divine help: we gained each other.

Today, the Church needs help in a profound way. We need to lean on the Holy Spirit to blow through the Church with a profound renewal. But we cannot forget that we have been given each other to lean on as well. We are a gift to each other, and together with the Spirit’s help, we are the Body of Christ here on earth. We must be strong and stand for one another. If we do that, this Pentecost will bear fruit that will be with us for many Pentecosts to come.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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Information and bulletins are uploaded weekly.

## *And from Our Pastor...*

Dear Friends and Parishioners:

Welcome back! It feels so good to be writing a letter for the community again, both in our weekly bulletin and for the wider Facebook community! It's time to be back! Second, it's Pentecost! The fire of Pentecost that burned beneath the feet of the apostles, moving them into action, is the same fire that inspired us in baptism and confirmation. As the apostles were sent to the ends of the earth, so aren't we! It is through our hands, voices and hearts that the Gospel message of Jesus Christ will reach all peoples. A perfect weekend for us to reopen. The Spirit is with us! Let us rejoice and be glad!

Yes, reopen. It is time to reconnect with our parishes. Much planning has gone into this and here I will outline how this will look. We are not just flipping a switch and going back to March 19 (the last day we had public Mass). Rather, this will be a gradual reopening with some new policies to guide us through this historic moment. In light of that, this is what we'll do:

- Public daily Mass will resume Monday, June 1. For the week of June 1, the only Mass offered each day will be at Christ the King at 9 AM. This will give us time to sort through some of the policies below and clean the church before we get to the weekend. It is our hope the week of June 8 to return to the normal weekday schedule, but that is TBA.
- On the weekend of June 6 and 7, we will resume our weekend Mass schedule in all three churches. We are allowed 25% capacity per Mass. Not everyone will be able to attend Mass every weekend in the first few weeks.
- Plan ahead. You will need to sign up for a Mass. Please call the rectory Monday through Friday 9 AM to 4 PM and William or Beth will sign you up for the following weekend only. When we've hit capacity, you'll need to move to another Mass. You can also send an email to the parish email account, [rwccatholic@gmail.com](mailto:rwccatholic@gmail.com), and someone will reply. Email will be checked for the last time Friday afternoon at 4 PM for that weekend's Masses.
- The churches will be cleaned between Masses.
- You will be socially distanced in the church, six feet or more apart. Family units may sit together, but each person in the family counts toward the final number of allowed participants. Sections of the church will be roped off.

What are you being asked to do for your part in this reopening?

- The bishop has extended his dispensation from Sunday Mass throughout this pandemic. If you're sick and most especially if you have symptoms of COVID-19, stay home. If your health is such that you're considered vulnerable, stay home. Please don't risk it for yourselves or anyone else.
- Please bring Clorox wipes with you to Mass and wipe down the area in which you sat during Mass.
- Masks are to be worn throughout Mass by anyone over 2 years old.
- Communion will be distributed at the end of Mass as you leave, so as to avoid multiple lines. Communion will not be distributed on the tongue; only on the hand.
- All worship aids will be removed from the church. If you have some kind of personal worship aid, feel free to bring it with you and take it home.
- There will be no sign of peace and the collection baskets will be placed at the doors in which you can place your donation as you leave.
- There will be no coffee hours or any other kind of gathering in the near future.

I am sure more will come up as we begin this process. What is most needed from you, my dear friends and parishioners, is a spirit of patience and charity. Some might not agree with these directives, but right now they're the best we have. They're being followed by all parishes at the directive of the bishop. We all need to be patient, with ourselves, the Church and one another. And we need a spirit of charity. All of these directives come from a place of not wanting anyone, including your neighbor, your priest, or you to be infected or sick. They're not perfect, for sure. Let's all continue to pray for an end to this pandemic so that we can move forward with our lives in joy.

Peace,  
Fr. Bernie

# NEWS FROM The Inland See FOR THE DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON

May 22–28, 2020



## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

**P**eter Beauregard, director of facilities and Catholic cemeteries for the Diocese of Burlington, has direct responsibility for the diocesan cemetery, Resurrection Park in South Burlington, but he also offers support to 74 parish cemeteries throughout Vermont.

“Support of the parish cemeteries includes the sharing of best practices in the areas of services offered, accounting and property maintenance,” he explained, adding that cemeteries are eligible for the annual SafetyFirst grant program that can be used to repair, implement or improve safety concerns.

It is important to place the Catholic cemetery within the Catholic burial tradition. That tradition flows out of fundamental tenets of the Catholic faith that include:

- + the dignity of each individual human person;
- + the importance of Baptism into the faith;
- + the reality of the resurrection of Jesus Christ;
- + the promise of Jesus that His followers will share eternal life;
- + the celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass uniting us to the Cross and our expression of adoration, thanksgiving, petition and supplication.

The operation of a Catholic cemetery ministry should support each of these tenets.

“Our Catholic cemeteries are blessed and consecrated grounds not unlike our churches,” Beauregard said.

“Maintaining them to the best of our ability is an outward sign that we are thankful for what we have been given.”

Mowing the grass controls the pest and weeds from taking over and keeping the grass at a two- to-three-inch height helps control the moisture of the soil. Maintenance of the monuments and their foundations ensures that the stones are stable and unlikely to fall over. Proper tree maintenance includes visual inspections to identify decay that can weaken a tree causing it to fall in high winds, damaging headstones and endangering visitors.

The maintenance of the cemeteries includes lawns, fences, trees, hedges, stone walls, ponds, roadways, pathways, water systems, storage buildings and machinery.

Beauregard estimated that there are 1,200 burials annually in the cemeteries he deals with, but that number could change because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

“Catholic cemetery grounds are consecrated and an extension of the Church,” he said “They are adorned with special Christian symbols, monuments and structures that make visiting them a holy and serene experience.”

For more information on Catholic cemeteries, go to [vermontcatholic.org/about/finance/cemeteries](https://vermontcatholic.org/about/finance/cemeteries).

The Bishop’s Annual Appeal supports the oversight of several Catholic cemeteries and guidance for all Catholic cemeteries in Vermont. To make a donation, go to [bishopsappealvt.org](https://bishopsappealvt.org).

*VTC • Cori Fugere Urban*



# Diocese of Burlington *Online Ministry Opportunities*

May 24–30, 2020

## Mass, Adoration, Rosary, and the Office of the Dead

Daily (Monday – Friday) 8 AM *Eucharistic Adoration* (30 min) — Livestream — [www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass)

Daily (Monday – Friday) 11:15 AM *Live Rosary* — with Valerie Parzyck — [www.facebook.com/DioBurlington](https://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington)

Daily (Monday – Friday) 12:05 PM *Mass* — Livestream — [www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass)

Sunday 10 AM *Mass* — Livestream — [www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/tvmass)

**Office of the Dead** will be livestreamed on [www.facebook.com/DioBurlington](https://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington), and also available on [www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/spiritualresources).

8 AM **Office of the Dead, Morning Prayer**

Friday, May 29 4 PM **Office of the Dead, Evening Prayer**

8 PM **Office of the Dead, Night Prayer**

## Online Ministries

Daily Posted at 9 AM **Bishop Coyne's Daily Reflections** — [www.facebook.com/DioBurlington](https://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington) and [www.vermontcatholic.org/about/office-of-bishop/dailyreflections/](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/about/office-of-bishop/dailyreflections/)

For the below offerings, we encourage people to register. Find the event on our diocesan calendar ([www.vermontcatholic.org/events](http://www.vermontcatholic.org/events)) and sign up, or contact [mhagan@vermontcatholic.org](mailto:mhagan@vermontcatholic.org). All events are FREE. Some of these will also be live-streamed on the diocesan Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/DioBurlington](https://www.facebook.com/DioBurlington)).

Monday, May 25 *no online ministry scheduled*

Tuesday, May 26 10:30 AM & 7 PM **Encountering Jesus Bible Study** (30 min) — Deacon Phil Lawson

Wednesday, May 27 4 PM **Forming Young Disciples** — Bill Gavin

Thursday, May 28 1 PM **Overflowing Love: Reflections on the Holy Spirit for Pentecost** — Josh Perry

7 PM **Theology on Tap** (for young adults 21-35) — Bill Gavin & Father Luke Austin

Friday, May 29 3 PM **Parenting with Grace, Part 3** — Bill Gavin & Terri McCormack

## DIOCESE OF BURLINGTON CAREERS

*Diocese:* Respect Life Coordinator

*The Loretto Home, Rutland:* Director of Nursing – \$7,500 Sign-on Bonus!

*Sacred Heart / St. Francis de Sales School, Bennington:* Administrator

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Full-Time LNA or Caregiver — \$500 Sign-On Bonus

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Full-Time LPN or Med Tech — \$1000 Sign-On Bonus

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Part-Time LNA or Caregiver

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Part-Time LPN or Med Tech

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Sr. Maintenance Technician

*St. Joseph's Residential Care Home, Burlington:* Night Shift Caregiver

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